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SPANNING TREE PROTOCOL

Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 17, 2009, whose period for response expires February 17, 2010, and concurrent with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as set forth below. In view of the same as well as the following remarks, kindly reconsider and further examine the application.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.